

**Ecole George V School
Newsletter**

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September, 2009

Website: www.wsd1.org/george_v/index.htm

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Sept 8

Administration Day

Sept 9

Students start

Sept 11

Special Ed start

Sept 14

Nursery/Kindergarten start

Sept 23

Community evening/meet the teacher—more info to follow

Sept 25

Terry Fox Run

September 29

Math Evening—more info to follow

Sept 30

Picture day

Welcome back to students and staff. We hope you had a wonderful summer. We would also like to welcome all our new students and staff—

Mme G. Mospanchuk

Principal

Mme SDeacon

Kindergarten

Mme A Borton

Grade 1 French

Mme R. Jackson

Grade 2 French

Mrs. G. Harris

Grade 1/2 English

Ms. L Kornelsen

Grade 2/3 English

Mr. J. Thornhill

Grade 3 French

Mme L Beer

Grade 4 French

Mme L Emmons

Grade 4/5 English

Mme M Blahut

Grade 5/6 French

Mr. M. Chartrand

Grade 5/6 English

Ms Anita Gilman

ABC

Mr. Robert Schulz

Special Ed

Mr. M. Glaveen

Phys Ed

Mme L. Lacroix-Pouliot

SERT/Resource

Mr. J. Quinn

Music/Phys Ed

Mrs. P. Calado

Counsellor

Ms. T Varnes

Reading Recovery

Mrs. C. Wall

Library Clerk

Mrs. C. Klawuhn

Clerk

Ms. K Bowen

EA

Mrs. D Clauthier

EA

Mrs. J Fiebelkorn

EA

Ms. B Muska

EA

Mrs. T McCombs

Clerk

Mme M Nolan

EA

Mrs. J. Okenko

EA

Mr. D Richard

EA

Ms R Popadynetz

EA

Ms. L Polychuk

EA

Mr. G McDougal

Head Custodian

Mr. J Griffiths

Custodian

Mr. D Sackey

Custodian



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION
INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

Winnipeg Police Service
WINNIPEG BLOCK PARENT PROGRAM

The National Block Parent Program underwent a full review by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in late 2006.

From the R.C.M.P. findings, “the policies and procedures established for the operation of the Block Parent Program are sound.”

New signs have been implemented which contain improved security features. Further information available by visiting;

www.winnipegblockparents.mb.ca

Thank you in advance.

Respectfully,

Constable Doug Blaine
Winnipeg Block Parent Liaison
770-6578/dblaine@winnipeg.ca

NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are a very important way for the school to communicate with parents/guardians. Our school newsletter is sent home at the end of each month. It includes such things as school closures, field trip information and special events happening during the month. Please make a habit of keeping the calendar of events on your fridge or somewhere you will see it easily and look at it every day so your child doesn't miss out on any events.

Call Backs

Please call the school if your child is absent for any reason at 669-4482. If we do not receive a phone call from you, we will have our call back person contact you.



School of Dance

You've seen it done on *Dancing With the Stars* and *So You Think You Can Dance*, see if you too have what it takes to be the next big thing in ballroom dancing!

If you're interested in trying something new and fun, and love to move to the music, then School of Dance is for you! Professional ballroom instructor Deborah Gaynor-Marten of Shirley's Dance Studio and Mme Borton are offering FREE weekly lessons in Cha Cha, Swing, Salsa, and Merengue to all interested students at George V School.

Learn how to move and groove to Rhianna, Britney, PCD, Lady GaGa, PitBull, Timberlake, Christina and Michael Jackson, **Wednesday nights from 6-7 p.m. in the gym, starting September 30th.**

Come with a friend or come alone, either way, we look forward to seeing you there!

Mme Borton
Deborah Gaynor-Marten



The George V Virtue Tree Code of Conduct

RESPECT
HONESTY
COURAGE
WISDOM
LOVE
TRUTH
HUMILITY

Ecole George V School students and staff are expected to demonstrate respect toward themselves, others and property. Each month, a different virtue will be presented at an assembly. Teachers will then share expectations with their students and they will learn around the virtues in class and on the playground. The children who are seen demonstrating the virtues will be presented with a leaf to take home and have their name published in the school newsletter for a job well done.

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Attached is the document “H1N1 Flu: Questions and Answers for Schools and Parents” from the Province of Manitoba.

This document has information you may find helpful.

Last school year you received a letter asking for your help to reinforce flu prevention with your children at home: washing hands; coughing or sneezing into the inside of the elbow; and not touching the eyes, nose or mouth. As part of the Winnipeg School Division’s Pandemic Plan, we will continue to provide information to you to keep you informed.

Thank you for taking the time to read this information.

Sincerely,

G. Mospanchuk
Principal



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION
INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

H1N1 Flu **BULLETIN**

August 7, 2009

H1N1 FLU: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR SCHOOLS AND PARENTS

What can we expect this flu season?

Flu viruses change over time. It is difficult to accurately predict what will happen. Although there have been cases of severe illness and death associated with this virus, most individuals with H1N1 in Manitoba have recovered without specific medical care or hospitalization.

It is expected that an H1N1 flu vaccine will be available for any Canadian who wants it later this fall and this could help to limit the spread and severity of illness. However, schools should also prepare for higher rates of employee and student absenteeism, and are encouraged to have their pandemic plans in place.

Will schools be closed?

H1N1 is considered to be present in all Manitoba communities and in all public settings. Health officials assess the situation on an ongoing basis to determine the most appropriate public health interventions to best protect the health of Manitobans.

Any decision to close a school or set of schools would involve careful consideration of the specific situation at that time, taking into account the spread and severity of the virus within Manitoba, as well as recommendations from the Public Health Agency of Canada, and other jurisdictions.

Direction on school closures for public health reasons would come from the Minister of Education, Citizenship and Youth, in consultation with the Chief Provincial Public Health Officer and/or regional medical officer of health.

Should parents/guardians have a child care plan?

Parents/guardians are encouraged to have a back-up plan for child care. When developing a plan, parents/guardians should consider:

- child care arrangements if your child is sick and unable to attend school;
- child care arrangements if you are sick and require support after school-hours, including a designated person (s) to pick up children should you be unavailable.

Will the H1N1 flu vaccine be available in schools?

The H1N1 vaccine is expected to be ready this fall and there will be enough supply for every Manitoban who wishes to be vaccinated. The vaccine may arrive in batches, so health officials will identify people who should be prioritized for the vaccine, either because of their essential role during flu season or because they are considered to be at greater risk for severe illness.

In order to best meet the needs of the community, how and where the H1N1 flu vaccine will be provided to people who wish to be vaccinated will likely be determined at a regional level.

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H1N1 Flu **BULLETIN**

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What precautions should I take?

Manitobans are encouraged to use routine precautionary measures to prevent infections:

- Stay home from school or work if you are ill and limit unnecessary contact with others.
- Cover a cough or sneeze by coughing or sneezing into your elbow or sleeve or using a tissue to cover your nose and mouth. Place the tissue in the garbage.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. When soap and water are unavailable, hand sanitizers may be an acceptable alternative if hands are not visibly soiled.
- Limit touching of your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Contact your health-care provider or call Health Links-Info Santé at **788-8200** or **1-888-315-9257** if you are concerned that you may need advice or care.
- Obtain prompt care if your symptoms are severe or worsening (i.e. shortness of breath, dehydration, worsening fever, cough or weakness).

Should I be wearing a mask?

Manitoba Health and Healthy Living and the Public Health Agency of Canada do not recommend that healthy people wear masks as they go about their daily routines, including going to school or work. There is no evidence that wearing a mask will prevent the spread of infection in the general population.

What about children?

Children should take the same precautions as adults, including washing their hands regularly and covering their nose and mouth when coughing. Young children may need help with hand washing. Children with flu-like symptoms should stay home from school or child care. To reduce the spread of germs, keep surfaces clean in areas where children play. If you have questions or are concerned that your child may need care, contact your health care provider or Health Links-Info Santé at

788-8200 or **1-888-315-9257**.

What should I do if there is a confirmed case in my child's school?

The H1N1 virus is considered to be present in communities throughout Manitoba and in all public settings. Children who are feeling well can continue with regular activities such as attending school.

The same basic precautions are still the best defense against H1N1, including washing your hands regularly with soap and water and covering your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Children who are ill should stay home until they feel better. Parents of ill children can contact Health Links-Info Santé at **788-8200** or **1-888-315-9257** for advice on when to seek medical attention.

Where can I get more information?

For additional information on H1N1 flu, please visit: www.manitoba.ca/flu or contact your local public health nurse. For more information on how to care for someone with the flu please see the fact sheet *Self Care and Influenza* or contact Health Links-Info Santé at **788-8200** or **1-888-315-9257** (toll-free).

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
7 Labour Day	8 Day 1 School opens	9 Day 2 Students Start	10 Day 3	11 Day 4 Special Ed Start
14 Day 5 Nursery/ Kindergarten Start	15 Day 6	16 Day 1	17 Day 2	18 Day 2
21 Day 4	22 Day 5	23 Day 6 Community Evening/ Meet the Teacher	24 Day 1	25 Day 2 Terry Fox Run
28 Day 3	29 Day 4 Math Evening	30 Day 5 Picture Day		

Upcoming Dates for October

Oct 1—boys competitive soccer

Oct 2—girls competitive soccer

Oct 6—2:30 DISMISSAL

Oct 8—boys competitive soccer Raindate

Oct 9—girls competitive soccer Raindate

Oct 15—Grade 4 Hep B shot #1 & Grade 6 girls immunization

Oct 21—Rooms 123, 110, 11, 119 & 115 to MTYP am

Oct 23—EFM & SAG conferences—NO CLASSES